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Art Unit	1625
Examiner Name	Taylor V. Oh
Attorney Docket Number	99104CON

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed October 4, 2004, Applicant timely submitted a Request for Continued Examination along with a Combined Amendment and Petition for Extension on Time by facsimile on April 4, 2005. Copies of these documents, along with the original Certificate of Transmission by Facsimile, are enclosed. Also enclosed is a copy of the Autoreply from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office indicating that the transmission of these documents was received on April 4, 2005.


However, Applicants have since received an Advisory Action mailed May 3, 2005 in response to the RCE. After discussing this matter with the Examiner on May 11, 2005 by telephone, it appears that Applicant's April 4th response may have inadvertently been considered to be a Response After Final rather than a Request for Continued Examination. In view of this, Applicant respectfully requests that the amendments and remarks submitted with the RCE on April 4, 2005 be entered and considered. As discussed with the Examiner, no response to the Advisory Action is needed.

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In view of the Amendments and Remarks submitted April 4, 2005, Applicant believes that the present claims are in good and proper form for allowance. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would further expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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